REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Favorable reconsideration of this application, as presently amended and in light of the following discussion is respectfully requested.

Claims 1-13 are pending in the outstanding Action. Claims 1, 2, 4-8 and 10-13 are amended by the present response. Claim amendments find support in the disclosure as originally filed. Thus, no new matter is added.

Claims 1-13 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(e) as anticipated by <u>Ellis et al.</u> (U.S. Pat. Pub. No. 2006/0140584, herein "<u>Ellis</u>").

Addressing now the rejection of Claims 1-13 under 35 U.S.C. §102(e) as anticipated by <u>Ellis</u>, Applicants respectfully traverse this rejection.

Claim 7 recites, in part,

> a setting step of setting a keyword;
> a broadcast signal reception step of receiving a broadcast signal broadcast from a broadcast station;
> a <u>first</u> recording step of temporarily recording <u>a last predetermined amount of</u> the broadcast signal received by said broadcast signal reception step as broadcast data <u>in a buffer</u> on a recording medium;
> a communication step of <u>repeatedly</u> transmitting request information to <u>an</u> external apparatus <u>every predetermined</u> interval of time to request broadcast information showing contents of said broadcast signal <u>currently</u> being received, and receiving the broadcast information which said external apparatus transmits in response to <u>each transmission of</u> said request information;
> a detection step of detecting whether or not said broadcast information received by said communication step includes said keyword; and
> a <u>second</u> recording step of recording said broadcast data on said recording medium <u>as new recorded broadcast data when said detection step detects that said broadcast information includes said keyword,</u> such that a part of said broadcast data <u>temporarily</u> recorded <u>in said buffer</u> is <u>stored</u> as <u>a first portion of the new recorded broadcast</u> data.

Claims 1 and 13 recite corresponding apparatus and computer readable medium claims.

Ellis describes a PVR which is able to use keywords entered by the user to discover

upcoming programs or previously recorded programs which match the entered keyword.

However, Ellis never describes or suggests temporarily recording a last

predetermined amount of the broadcast signal received by said broadcast signal reception step

as broadcast data in a buffer on a recording medium, repeatedly transmitting request

information to an external apparatus every predetermined interval of time to request

broadcast information showing contents of said broadcast signal currently being received, and

receiving the broadcast information which said external apparatus transmits in response to

each transmission of said request information or recording said broadcast data on said

recording medium as new recorded broadcast data when said detection step detects that said

broadcast information includes said keyword, such that a part of said broadcast data

temporarily recorded in said buffer is stored as a first portion of the new recorded broadcast

data, as is recited in Claim 7.

In other words, while the claimed invention recites continuously polling an external

apparatus for broadcast information regarding the broadcast signal currently being received

and recording the new recorded broadcast data beginning at the point in the program when a

set keyword matches the data corresponding to the current content, Ellis merely describes

using keywords to identify programs which the user may be interested in watching/recording.

Moreover, nothing in Ellis describes the steps recited in Claim 7 of recording said

broadcast data on said recording medium as new recorded broadcast data when said detection

step detects that said broadcast information includes said keyword, such that a part of said

broadcast data temporarily recorded in said buffer is stored as a first portion of the new

recorded broadcast data.

Thus, the claimed invention is able to record the specific content which directly

relates to the set keyword by constantly checking the information related to the broadcast and

starting to record the new recorded broadcast data when the keyword is detected. This feature

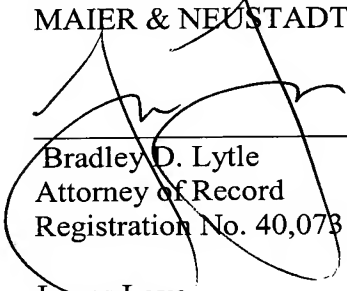is not provided in disclosure of <u>Ellis</u>.

Moreover, although <u>Ellis</u> describes that a user is able to modify the before/after

padding time which enables the user to ensure that no portion of the program is missed due to

early/late program airing, <u>Ellis</u> never describes temporarily recording a last predetermined

amount of the broadcast signal received by said broadcast signal reception step as broadcast

data in a buffer on a recording medium and using part of said broadcast data temporarily

recorded in said buffer as the first portion of the new recorded broadcast data.

Accordingly, Applicants respectfully submit that Claim 7 and similarly Claims 1 and

13, and claims depending respectfully therefrom, patentably distinguish over <u>Ellis</u>.

Consequently, as no further issues are believed to be outstanding in the present

application, the present application is believed to be in condition for formal Allowance. A

Notice of Allowance for the claims is earnestly solicited.

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